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H. R and C.E – Sri Shirur Math – Udipi –
South Kanara District – Appraisement of
Jewels – Descriptive report – Recorded

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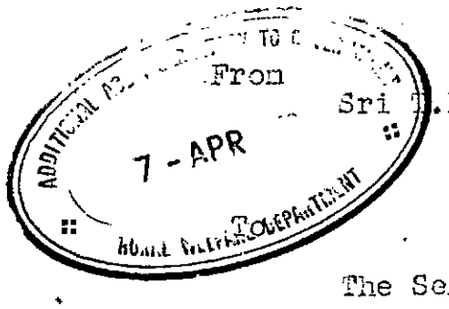
Religious and Charitable Endowment
Madras.

Letter No. 12708/52-1-Gnl-dated 31st March 1952.



From

Sri T.M. Chinnaiya Pillai, M.A., B.L.,
Commissioner, Hindu Religious & Charitable
Endowments (Adm) Department, M a d r a s.

The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Rural Welfare Department,
Fort Saint George, M a d r a s.

Sir,

Sub: Hindu Religious & Charitable Endowments - Appraisement and verification of jewels and other valuables - Sri Shiroor Math- Udipi - South Kanara district - Descriptive report of the Verification Officer - Forwarded.

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Ref: From the Verification Officer, report dated 17-3-1952.

I forward herewith a copy of the descriptive reports together with a copy of the registers of valuables relating to the math named above.

2. I am in agreement of the suggestion of the Verification Officer. A copy of the report is being sent to the Mutt for information and necessary action.

3. I request that the Government may be pleased to approve the report so that the math authorities may be asked to adopt the valuation in the registers maintained in the math.

Yours faithfully,

Commissioner.

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Office of the Verification Officer,
Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments,
Camp: Tirupathi, Chittoor District.

From

Sri V.Rangaiah B.A., B.L.,
Verification Officer,
Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments,
Camp: Tirupathi.

To

The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Rural Welfare Department,
Fort St.George,
Madras.

Through

The Commissioner,
Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments,
Cathedral Post,
Madras.6

Sir,

Sub:- Descriptive report - Sri Sirur Mutt - Udipi - South Kanara District - Submitted.

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The Sirur Mutt is one of the Ashtamatams of Sri Krishna temple, Udipi in South Kanara District. This matam derives its name from Sirur village situated about 15 miles from Udipi. The first disciple of Sri Madwacharya, Sri Vamana Theertha, who founded and established the system of worship by the ashta sishyas in Sri Krishna temple, came from the village of Sirur. The present matathipathi is H.H.Sri Lakshmindra Tirtha.

II. In my descriptive reports of Sri Krishna temple, Udipi, the Sode Mutt and some other mutts I have described the general features and the origins and the functions of these matams. The matathipathies originally were sishyas who were ordained sanyasis and who lived in the temple and conducted the pooja in the temple by turns. In course of time they acquired separate properties from devotees and established separate mutts for themselves. These matams are situated in the car streets round the temple and now they perform pooja in the temple according to the paryayam system established by Sri Vatharaja Swamiar of Sode Mutt. During the period of paryayams of 2 years, each of the swamiars also acts as managing trustee of the

temple. Each of the matams has a presiding deity for the matam and each of the Swamiar conducts his own Devatarchana in his matam. The valuables of the matams are mainly the pooja utensils for the pooja and the jewels and paraphernalia of the deities. The matams have also some sub-matams attached to the matam and this matam of Sirur has an important sub-matam in the village of Sirur. The valuables at the matam at Udipi and at the sub-matam at Sirur village have been appraised and included in the lists.

III. The only available record produced for the appraisement and verification of the valuables is the register under section 38 of the Hindu Religious Endowments Act which has been submitted to the Board and which is pending approval. In common with other matams no previous registers of valuables have been produced.

IV. The repairs necessary to the jewels and paraphernalia are stated in the remarks columns to the lists prepared. I give hereunder some of the repairs that may be urgently undertaken by the matathipathi. In the register under section 38 in many places saphires are described as emeralds.

Item No. in the present lists.	Temple register No.	Description	Remarks.
30	29 A	Gem-set round padhakkam	To be repaired.
31	30	Gem-set padhakkam	Missing one cob ruby to be replaced.
34	33	Gem-set Ravi Aku padhakkam	Missing 2 gems to be replaced.
41	40	Narasimha kavacha front	Hands etc. are torn. To be repaired.
105 of silver list	65 of silver list	Silver Musalavai	To be repaired.

V. The appraisement and verification of the valuables

of this mutt was taken up on 18-6-1951 and was closed on 22-6-1951 and was again taken up on 1-11-1951 and was completed on the same day. The cost of appraisement and verification is estimated at Rs. 250/-.

VI. The result of appraisement is given below:-

Value of gold and gem-set articles	...	Rs.	19,419 10 6
Value of silver, plated and gilded articles	...	Rs.	9,238 5 3
Total	...	Rs.	28,657 15 6

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VERIFICATION OFFICER.

Enc: list of valuables.
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Memo. 25020 R. W V / 52-1 dated 1-5-52

IRR & C.E. - Sri Shivaram Nath, Udupi S. Kannam Sr - Appraisement and Verifying Sr-Sundry other Valuation - descriptive report - approved.

Ref:- from the Commr IRR & C.E. (B) Advt no 12708/52-1 Gnl dt 31-3-52

As the High Court of Judicature, Madras has declared certain sections of the IRR & C.E. Act, 1951 as inapplicable to Sri Shivaram Nath, Udupi and as he has decided to file an appeal before the Supreme Court against the said judgement, the Commr IRR & C.E. (B) Advt is requested

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to obtain urgently whether it will be in order to send now a copy of the verifying officer's report to the water authorities for necessary action or to ask them to adopt the valuation in the register maintained in the water as suggested in paras 2 & 3 of his reference dated. 11 c/f.

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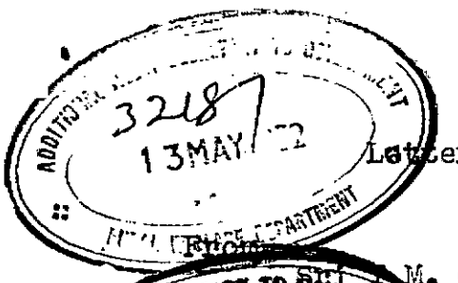
To the Comm. Mgt & C.E. (A) only



Office of the Commissioner for Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments, Madras.2.

Letter No. 12708/52-3 Gnl. dated 12-5-1952.

From

Sri M. Chinnaiya Pillai, M.A., B.L.,
Commissioner for Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments, Madras.2.

To

The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Rural Welfare Department, Fort Saint George,
Madras.9.

Sir,

Sub: Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments - Sri Shirur Math - Udipi - South Kanara District - Appraisement and Verification of jewels and other valuables - Descriptive Report of the Verification Officer - Approval.

Ref: Government Memorandum No.25020 R.W.V/52-1 dated 1-5-52.

A copy of my Letter No.12708/52-2 Gnl. dated 31-3-1952 sent to the Madathipathi of the above math in the above matter is enclosed herewith for information of the Government. It will be seen therefrom that no directions have been issued to the Math authorities.

2. The reasons set forth in my Letter No.12707/52-3 Gnl. dated 15-4-52, with reference to the Government T.M. dated 9-4-52 relating to Sri Krishnapur Math, Udipi, South Kanara District, may also apply to this math.

3. The matter will not be pursued further. However, if the Government think that it will not be in order to send any communication to the authorities of Math, I shall withdraw my Letter dated 31-3-52 sent to the Madathipathy of the math, on receipt of the Government orders.

PB.12-5-52.

Yours faithfully,

Commissioner.

Enclosure: 1.

Office of the Commissioner for Hindu
Religious and Charitable Endowments,
Madras.

Letter No. 12708/52-2 Gnl. dated 31-3-1952.

To

The Matadhipathi of Sri Shiroor Math,
Udipi, South Kanara District.

Sir,

Sub: Appraisement and verification of jewels and other valuables
Descriptive report of the verification officer - Forwarded.

Ref: From the Verification Officer report dated 17-3-1952.

A copy of the descriptive report is forwarded herewith for taking a copy of the same for the math's records and return the copy now sent to this office.

The suggestion of the Verification Officer in his descriptive report may be considered and action taken.

Sd.Ramachandran,P.N.
for Commissioner.

1. Copy to the Dy.Commr. H.R. & C.E. Coimbatore.
2. Copy to the Asst.Commr., H.R.& C.E. Mangalore.
3. Copy to the Adm. Sec. in the Head Office.

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Abstract

H.R.&.C.E - Sri Shirur Math - Udipi - South Kanara Di
Appraisement of Jewels - Descriptive report - Recorded

Read also:-
From the Commissioner, H.R.&.C.E.(Admn)Department.
No. 12708/52-3 Gnl. dated 12-5-52.

ORDER No. 597 RW(V) Dated 29th May 1952.
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Recorded.

2. The register of valuables intended for Government use is sent to the Curator, Madras Record Office, Egmore, for safe custody.

To
The Commissioner, H.R.&.C.E.
(Admn)Deptt. Madras

The Curator, M.R.O. Egmore,
Madras. (with enclosure)

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NOTE:-

Please see the letter of the Commissioner, H.R.&.C.E (Administration)Department on p.1 c.f. the Memo on p.3 c.f. and his reply on p.5 c.f.

In the Sri Krishnapur Math case ~~which the Commissione~~ ~~refers~~ referred to in ~~his~~ letter on p.5 c.f, the Commissioner has been restrained by an injunction order issued by the High Court from enforcing the provisions of the H.R.&.C.E.Act, 1951 against the said Math. In the case of Shirur Math no such injunction order has been issued and the Madathipathi has n raised any objection to the Circular issued by the Commissi on 31-3-52. There appears to be no objection now to approv the Descriptive report of the Verification Officer of the Shirur Math.

The draft above is for approval. May be circulated to H.H.(R.R.).

Venkateswami Naidu

From
Dr. B. S. Baliga, Ph.D. (Lond.)
Curator, Madras Record Office,
Egmore, MADRAS-8.

To
The Secretary to Government,
Rural Welfare Department,
Fort St. George, MADRAS

No. 770/52-S.A.998 dated 7th June 1952.

Sir,

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Sub:-Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments - Sri Shirur Math - Udipi - South Kanara District - Appraisement of Jewels - Descriptive report - Recorded.

Ref:-G.O.Ms.No.59 dated 29-5-1952.

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The register of valuables etc. of Sri Shirur Math - Udipi South Kana, forwarded to this office for safe custody with the Governme order cited has been received.

Yours faithfully,

CURATOR,
7-6-1952.

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